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Health Care Administrative Rules Update

Policy Summary:

The Agency of Human Services (AHS) has filed adopted rules with the Office of the Secretary of State (SOS) to amend the following administrative rules for Medicaid covered services.

- 1.100 Health Care Administrative Rules Introduction
 - This rule provides an overview of how the Agency of Human Services administers the Vermont Medicaid Program, and the framework for the Health Care Administrative Rules.
- 1.101 Health Care Administrative Rules Definitions
 - This rule provides definitions for terms used throughout the Health Care Administrative Rules.

The adopted rules set forth the criteria for coverage under Vermont's Medicaid program operated by the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA). They revise and replace current Medicaid covered services rules as part of the sequential adoption of Health Care Administrative Rules (HCAR).

Effective Date:

These administrative rules will take effect December 16, 2016.

Authority/Legal Basis:

Adopting and rulemaking: 3 V.S.A. § 801(b) (11), 33 V.S.A. § 1901(a)(1).

Population Affected:

All Medicaid.

Fiscal Impact:

No fiscal impact.

Public Notice:

A public hearing was held on August 26, 2016. The public comment period ended on September 2, 2016.

Public comments and responses are [available here](#).

Additional Information:

The Agency of Human Services is undertaking a comprehensive revision of Medicaid rules across the Agency. All Medicaid rules will be amended and adopted under the title of Health Care Administrative Rules (HCAR). Amendments to rule may include changes to policy and operations, as well as formatting and organization. This is a multi-year process, and during this transition phase, some Medicaid rules will remain under the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) Medicaid Covered Services Rules (7100 - 7700), while other rules will be adopted in the new HCAR collection of Medicaid rules.

The HCAR rules that are currently in effect can be viewed electronically at:

<http://humanservices.vermont.gov/on-line-rules/health-care-administrative-rules-hcar/health-care-administrative-rules>.

The DVHA Medicaid Covered Services rules that are currently in effect can be viewed electronically at: <http://humanservices.vermont.gov/on-line-rules/dvha>.

To get more information about the administrative rulemaking process, see the website of the Office of the Secretary of State at <https://www.sec.state.vt.us/administrative-rules.aspx>.